(ii) Provide chance to all Arab and Islamic mediation efforts to put an end to the causes which have created differences between Iraq and Kuwait;

(iii) A resolution by the U.N. Security Council for the withdrawal of all multinational forces from the region;

(iv) Security Council to pass a resolution giving an assurance to implement all U.N. Resolutions on Arab|Israeli conflict immediately and without any delay;

(v) The Security Council should pass a resolution which will render void the Resolution No. 661;

(vi) Reach a comprehensive agreement to remove all the lethal weapons in the possession of any country in the area and lay down strict rules to ensure the adherence by this agreement after removing all forms of conflicts in the region in general and the Arab/Israeli conflict in particular.

2. The Government of India extended support to the efforts made by various countries to bring about a peaceful resolution of the Gulf crisis and in particular, itself took a number of initiatives to this end through direct contacts with the parties concerned, through the non-aligned movement, and at the United Nations.

Complaints received from Indian Nationals after Gulf war broke out

905. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of complaints received by Government from stranded Indian nationals after the Gulf war started; and

(b) what steps Government have taken to help such Indian nationals to come back to India?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) The information is being ascertained.

(b) All necessary steps have been taken by Government and by Indian Missions abroad to help Indian nationals who wished to return to India, to do so, including arranging exit permits, assistance in transport through scheduled and special flights, and financial and other assistance for their transit.

Introduction of cost-plus tariff scheme by Department of Posts

906. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Department of Posts propose to introduce a cost-plus tariff scheme for the commercial sector as part of efforts to improve and streamline the mail delivery system;

(b) if so, what are the main features of the scheme; and

(c) by when the schems is likely to be introduced?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JAI PARKASH): (a) to (c) An Expert Committee in Excellence in Postal Services had inter alia recommended that the Department of Posts should aim at balancing its revenue and expenditure in the short run and in the longer run produce a surplus to finance its own depreciation and development. An indepth study of the modalities of achieving these objectives is under way. As such it is not possible at this stage to indicate the services for which tariff could be imposed on cost plus basis and the time frame within which such proposals could be implemented.

USS FORD at Bombay Port

907. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI KAILASHPATI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an American Warship, USS FORD was berthed at Bombay port at

the invitation of Government of India;

(b) if so, when and how long it stayed and whether it was a guided missile frigate;

(c) whether Government are aware of the report that the US Warship came to India only after it was refused permission to berth at Colombo along with another US Warship;

(d) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto; and

(e) what was the destination of the US Warship and whom the crew met during the stay at Bombay?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) US Navy Ship USS Ford was in India to carry out a technical demonstration of turbine engines.

(b) USS Ford docked in Bombay from 21 to 25 January, 1991. It is a guided missile frigate.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Its onward destination in the manifest was indicated as Phuket, Thailand. The crew made the usual protocol calls including on India's Commander-in-Chief Western Naval Command, the Flag Officer-in-Chief, Western Fleet, and the Flag Officer, Maharashtra area.

Cancellation of licences of small scale industrial units due to industrial pollution

908. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the licences of some small scale industrial units in Delhi were cancelled due to industrial pollution;

(b) whether there are any other hazardous industries running in Delhi apart from the units whose licences were cancelled by the Government; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken by Government against such units?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (DR. SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY): (a) Yes, Sir. A sample survey was conducted by the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (Factory Licencing Department) in 1986 to idnetify hazardous/obnoxious/polluting units functioning in the non-conforming areas of Delhi. The Survey idnetified about 500 units and they were issued notices by Municipal Corporation of Delhi asking them to comply with effluent standards prescribed/notified by the Central Pollution Control Board. The licences of units who failed to respond to the notices, have been revoked by Municipal Corporation of Delhi.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The Central Pollution Control Board has started field survey since December 21, 1990 to idnetify polluting industries in the conforming and non-conforming areas in the Union Territory of Delhi. Whenever any polluting/hazardous/obnoxious units found functioning by Municipal Corporation of Delhi, necessary legal action as per the provisions of the Act will be taken by them.

विदेशों से भारतीय नागरिकों का निर्वासन

909. **कुमारी आलिया :**

श्री अजीत जोगी :

क्या विदेश मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सितम्बर, 1989 से आज तक विदेशों से कितने भारतीय नागरिकों को निर्वासित किया गया है ;

(ख) जनवरी, 1988 से आज तक विदेशों में फंसे कितने भारतीय नागरिकों को स्वदेश भेजा गया ; और

(ग) इस संबंध में केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा कितनी वित्तीय सहायता दी गई ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में उप मंत्री और विदेश मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री दिग्विजय सिंह) : (क) से (ग) उपबन्ध सूचना विवरण में दी गई है ।